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For: BIOADHESIVE GEL BASED ON HYDROXYETHYLCELLULOSE

VIA EFS-WEB

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RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS

Sir:

In response to the Notification of Missing Requirements under 35 U.S.C. §371 mailed August 29, 2006, submitted herewith is the Inventors Declaration. Credit card payment for the required filing fee of \$65.00 is being submitted via EFS-WEB which includes the amount of the surcharge.

In the event the actual fee is greater than the payment submitted or is inadvertently not enclosed or if any additional fee during the prosecution of this application is not paid, the Patent Office is authorized to charge the underpayment to Deposit Account #15-0700.

If this communication is filed after the time period had elapsed and no separate Petition is enclosed, the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks is petitioned, under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), to extend the time for filing a response by the number of months which will avoid abandonment under 37 C.F.R. §1.135. The fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 should be charged to our Deposit Account No. 15-0700.

Respectfully submitted,

THIS CORRESPONDENCE IS BEING SUBMITTED ELECTRONICALLY THROUGH THE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE EFS FILING SYSTEM ON SEPTEMBER 15, 2006.

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NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- · Indication of Small Entity Status
- Copy of the International Application filed on 02/07/2006
- . Copy of the International Search Report filed on 02/07/2006
- . Copy of IPE Report filed on 02/07/2006
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 02/07/2006
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 02/07/2006
- Oath or Declaration filed on 02/07/2006
- Request for Immediate Examination filed on 02/07/2006
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 02/07/2006
- · Priority Documents filed on 02/07/2006
- Specification filed on 02/07/2006
- Claims filed on 02/07/2006
- Abstracts filed on 02/07/2006Drawings filed on 02/07/2006
- The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The following items MUST be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application
 by the International application number and international filing date. The current oath or declaration does
 not comply with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b) in that it:
 - is not executed in accordance with either 37 CFR 1.66 or 37 CFR 1.68.

To avoid abandonment, a surcharge (for late submission of filing fee, search fee, examination fee or oath
or declaration) as set forth in 37 CFR 1.492(h) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27,
must be submitted with the mission items identified in this letter.

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fees required for this application is \$65 for a Small Entity:

\$65 Surcharge.

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDOMIENT.

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the response.

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